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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
KAZUOMI OISHI)
Application No.: 09/222,846) Group Art Unit: 3642
Filed: December 30, 1998)
For: IMAGE INPUT APPARATUS,)
IMAGE INPUT METHOD,)
RECORDING MEDIUM, AND)
ENCRYPTION PROCESSING)
PROGRAM STORED IN)
COMPUTER-READABLE MEDIUM : April 26, 2000

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

R.L. Rivest, A. Schami and L. Addleman, "A Method Of Obtaining Digital Signatures And Public Key Cryptosystems", Communications of the ACM, February 1978, Vol. 21, No. 2, pages 120-126.



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Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. 37 C.F.R. § (b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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